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SUBJECT:US-USSR DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS LINK (DCL) TALKS.

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1. PRELIMINARY PROGRAM OUTLINED BY MR. SMIRNOV IS SATISFACTORY INCLUDING PROPOSED TRIP TO L'VOV. WOULD STILL APPRECIATE INFORMATION REGARDING DELEGATION REQUEST VISIT MOSCOW EARTH STATION. HAS DR. MINASHIN ADVISED?

2. ADVISE MR. SMIRNOV COMPOSITION U.S. DELEGATION UNCHANGED - U.S. CHAIRMAN - NAEHER, MEMBERS-ROSE, JACARUSO, GANCIE, BRUSH, LAWLER, LEE AND ZARECHNAK; OBSERVER STATUS-EDGAR. DELEGATION VISA APPLICATIONS BEING SUBMITTED SOVIET EMBASSY THIS WEEK FOR PROCESSING. INCLUDED IS JOHN COLLINS -DEFENSE COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY WHO IS BACK-STOP OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE ONLY IF MR. ROSE UNABLE MAKE TRIP. MR. WOOD (COMSAT) VISA ALSO INCLUDED AS ALTERNATE - IF NEEDED. THESE NAMES ARE NOT ON LIST FURNISHED AMEMBASSY. MR. SMIRNOV HAD COLLINS NAME ON LIST, POST DID NOT AND ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION (PARA 7, REFTEL).

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3. SINCE ALL DELEGATION MEMBERS, EXCEPT MR. ROSE, PLAN

ARRIVE MOSCOW, MARCH 13 AND NOT MARCH 14 AS INDICATED PRE-LIMINARY PLAN, ADVISE MR. SMIRNOV HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT NATIONAL NEEDED MARCH 13-THRU-23. PLEASE INSURE MR. SMIRNOV AWARE OF THIS AND THAT DELEGATION WILL DEPART MOSCOW MARCH 23. MR. ROSE PLANS ARRIVE MOSCOW MARCH 14.

4. DEPARTMENT AGREES EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS (RESERVATIONS AND TICKETS) FOR U.S. DELEGATION MEMBERS L'VOV TRIP ONCE MINISTRY PROVIDES SPECIFIC DETAILS. ASSUME SOVIETS ARE ARRANGING CLEARANCE AND MAKING APPROPRIATE HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR L'VOV TRIP. PLEASE CONFIRM. ALSO DELEGATION WILL NEED TO RETAIN HOTEL ROOMS BY AT NATIONAL FOR TWO NIGHTS DURING L'VOV TRIP. HOW WILL THIS BE ARRANGED? WILL DELEGATION NEED TO HOLD AND BE CHARGED FOR THESE ROOMS DURING ABSENCE OR WILL NEW ASSIGNMENTS BE NEEDED UPON RETURN MOSCOW.

5. PLEASE ADVISE DR. MINASHIN U.S. WISHES INCLUDE ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM ENTITLED" SELECTIVE SIGNALLING ON TELEGRAPH ENGINEERING CIRCUIT (CHANNEL 14) WHICH IS EMPLOYED IN THE INTELSAT SYSTEM.

6. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE SOVIET DELEGATION LIST IF AVAILABLE. ALSO, HAS MINISTRY ADVISED WHERE THE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AND DAILY SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED. ANY INFORMATION WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL.

7. DEPARTMENT WILL SEND IN A SEPARATE TELEGRAM TRAVEL PLANS AND ARRIVAL TIMES OF DELEGATION MEMBERS. ARRANGEMENTS NOT YET COMPLETED. KISSINGER

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